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(b) A meeting was held on 23rd December 1958 at the office of the Collector of Tirunelveli.

SRI T. VELUCHAMI : இந்த மீட்டிங்கில் செய்யப்பட்ட ஆலோசனைகளைப்பற்றி என்ன நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்பட்டன?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : அந்த விவரம் இப்பொழுது என்னிடம் இல்லை.

Social Welfare Board, Tirunelveli District

* 813 Q.—SRI T. VELUCHAMI : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the activities of the Social Welfare Board in Tirunelveli district during 1957 and 1958; and

(b) the expenditure incurred during these years?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (a) The following activities are carried on in the Centres opened in the Welfare Extension Project launched in Tirunelveli district :—

(1) Training in Spinning, Tailoring and Embroidery is imparted to the women who attend the Centres.

(2) Maternity Aid is provided.

(3) Balwadi Classes are conducted for the benefit of children.

(b)—

		Total expenditure.	Share of State Government.
		RS.	RS.
1956–57	..	33,038	8,259
1957–58	..	52,239	17,402

Coconut breeding-cum-research station

* 814 Q.—SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER (on behalf of SRI V. SANKARAN) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state how far the proposal of the Government to start a coconut breeding-*cum*-research station either at Sholavandan or Nilakottai has been implemented?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : There is no proposal to start a coconut breeding-*cum*-research station either at Sholavandan or at Nilakottai.

SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER : Considering the importance of coconut cultivation and production, are the Government appointing any Research Officer for carrying on research on the availability and suitability of soil at least in the coastal areas of this State?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : There is no such proposal. But, Government have already sanctioned two research stations—parasite breeding stations—, one at Nagercoil and the other at Gudiyatham. There is also a proposal to re-open the parasite-breeding station at Udangudi in Tirunelveli district which was closed sometime back. The approval of the Government of India has been sought.

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SRI M. D. THIAGARAJA PALLAI : தலைவர் அவர்களே, மலபார் பிரதேசம் நம்முடைய நாட்டில் இருந்து பிரிந்த பிறகு இந்தத் தென்னை அபிவிருத்திக்கு ஆராய்ச்சி சாலைகளை ஏற்படுத்த வேறு திட்டம் இருக்கிறதா?

THE HON SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : புதிய ஆராய்ச்சி சாலைகளை அமைக்க யோசனை இருக்கிறது.

SRI A. VEDARATHNAM : எந்த இடத்தில் இந்த ஆராய்ச்சி சாலை அமைக்க யோசனை இருந்து கொண்டிருக்கிறது?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : இப்பொழுதுதான் சொன்னேன். நாகர்கோவில், குடியாத்தம், திருநெல்வேலியில் உள்ள உடன்குடி ஆகிய பகுதிகளில் ஆரம்பிக்க யோசனை இருக்கிறது.

SRI P. S. K. LAKSHMIPATHI RAJ : மது விலக்கு அமுலுக்கு வந்த பிற்பாடு இந்தத் தென்னை மரத்தில் இருந்து கிடைக்கிற பொருள் அதிகரித்திருக்கிறதா என்பதை அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் கூறுவார்களா?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : அதைப் பற்றி ஒன்றும் கணக்கு எடுக்கவில்லை. அதிகரித்துத் தான் இருக்கவேண்டும். கள் இறக்க தென்னையை அதிகமாக உபயோகப்படுத்துவதில்லை.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : May I know whether coconut seedlings are distributed to the farmers at concessional rates?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, Sir. Coconut nurseries are conducted and these seedlings are distributed at concessional rates.

SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER : This question is a little dubious. I asked about coconut breeding-*cum*-research station. The Hon. Minister's reply was about parasite-breeding stations. My question was about the growing of coconut trees as such. May I know whether any research station has been set up to find out the suitability of the soil in the State and whether any research has been carried on in this respect?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, Sir, that is also done.

Training in Museology in West Germany

* 815 *Q.*—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI (on behalf of SRI T. T. DANIEL) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any scholarships have been offered by the Government of West Germany to Indian Nationals for getting Training in Museology in that country ; and

(*b*) whether any person has been selected this year from this State?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) No, Sir.